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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

This is a response to the Office Action mailed from the Patent Office on June 27, 2001.

A separate petition for an extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith.

Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-52, 63, 74-83, and 87-93) without traverse.

Claims 1-52, 63, 74-83, and 87-93 are drawn to antibodies which bind human IL-12, classified in class 530, subclass 387.3.

If a telephone conversation with Applicants' attorney would help expedite the prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is urged to call Applicants' attorney at (617) 227-7400.

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